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- GEOGRAPHICALLY SITUATED ON NIAGARA ESCARPMENT
- 5 STATE PARKS, 19 COUNTY PARKS
- 300 MILES OF SHORELINE
- RAMSAR DESIGNATED WETLAND
- HOME TO SEVERAL FEDERALLY ENDANGERED OR THREATENED SPECIES'
- 265 KNOWLES-NELSON STEWARDSHIP PROJECTS
- DOOR COUNTY LAND TRUST, THE NATURE CONSERVANCY, THE RIDGES SANCTUARY, CROSSROADS AT BIG CREEK, CLIMATE CHANGE COALITION & FOREST RECOVERY PROJECT (LNRP)
- POPULATION: 30,000

DESTINATION COUNTY

• **1884**: Founded as Door County Business Men's Association

• 2007: Organization became funded significantly by room tax (county-wide by 2009)

• 2019: Organizational shift to destination marketing AND management

MISSION

To inspire travel that drives *community enhancement*. Through innovation and *partnerships*, we will share stories of Door County's people and places, deliver *world-class experiences*, strengthen the industry, work to ensure all travelers feel welcome and *preserve* Door County's way of life and its natural resources.

VISION

A better life for all of Door County through strong, sustainable practices supported by strong local communities that welcome a diverse group of explorers

GOAL

Lead the efforts to make tourism a viable tool for conservation, protection of bio-cultural diversity, and sustainable community development in Door County.

LONG-TERM DESTINATION PROMISE

We will promote travel to Door County in a way that aims to *minimize* the environmental and social *impact* while maximizing economic impact. We strive to foster a local sense of place to *ensure quality of life for residents that creates a positive impact on the county.*







DESTINATION COUNTY Leave No Trace **Center for Outdoor Ethics** | **LNT.org**





- Based in Boulder, CO
- Founded as a 501(c)(3) non-profit in 1994
 - Today, the Leave No Trace program reaches over 15 million Americans and dozens of countries each year with conservation initiatives, education, training, research and outreach.
- The Seven Principles of Leave No Trace
 - Easily understood practices for minimal impact to outdoor spaces
 - Applicable to any type of space, adaptable to almost any activity

Mission

The Leave No Trace Center for Outdoor Ethics protects the outdoors by teaching and inspiring people to enjoy it responsibly. The Center accomplishes this mission by delivering cutting-edge education and research to millions of people every year.







Leave No Trace 7 Principles



Know Before You Go

Check weather, pack proper equipment, know your limits and take precaution.



Trash Your Trash

Do not leave garbage or pet waste behind and recycle whenever possible.



Stick to the Trails

Wonder at all of the natural beauty without wandering off the designated trails.



Be Careful With Fire

Always burn fire safely, extinguish it fully and only use firewood sourced within 15 miles.



Leave It As You Find It

Do not remove or interfere with anything you find in parks and brush off your shoes and tires to prevent spreading invasive species.



Keep Wildlife Wild

Do not feed wildlife, give them plenty of space and learn about hunting seasons and local fishing regulations.



Share Our Trails, Roads and Natural Resources

We're all here to enjoy Door County, be courteous and respectful on the trails, roads and in the outdoors.









KNOW BEFORE YOU GO: Be Patient and Be Kind

Summer is in full swing here and that means our towns, villages and communities are bustling with activity. To ensure your Door County experience exceeds expectations, we encourage everyone to plan ahead make reservations, confirm wait times, confirm business hours and create equally as fun back up plans just in case.



Juan Ornelas Vilches and 146 others

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Leave No Trace Principle 6 Keep Wildlife Wild

Respect each other-including our wild ones.

Door County's wildlife is an essential part of the ecosystem. Remember, that when you're out in nature you're in their home To protect yourself and the animals, do not feed any wildlife as it is damaging to their health, alters natural behaviors, and exposes them to potential threats. Any snakes you encounter are not harmful and should be left alone. When you're on the water, be sure to carry your fishing license and know Door County's regulations. Even if you're not participating in our hunting seasons, you should be aware of them so you can be seen and stay safely out of harm.

Did you know?

To get more information on the Wisconsin hunting seasons to prepare yourself, visit the DNR page. Wildlife you may see in Door County: raccoons, turkeys, white-tailed deer, squirrels, etc. To be safe, enjoy all our wildlife from a distance.



From being mindful of your personal impact on nature spaces to embracing an overall ethos of "leave it better," the #DoorCounty #LeaveNoTrace 7 Principles should always be on your mind when you explore the outdoors.



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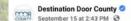


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Our environment is fragile, please travel with care so these places remain intact for others to enjoy.

www.doorcounty.com/care-for-door-county/leave-no-trace/ #DoorCountyPledge #LeaveNoTrace



September is #NationalWildernessMonth, a time to strengthen your connection with wilderness areas and support, protect and preserve the stories they tell, memories they create and heritage they reflect. The Door County Leave No Trace 7 Principles are a framework of minimum impact practices to embrace while out exploring to help you do your part to protect Door County's land and water.

The Door County Leave No Trace 7 Principles are:

- 1. Know Before You Go
- 2. Stick To The Trails
- 3. Trash Your Trash
- 4. Leave It As You Found It
- 5. Be Careful With Fire
- 6. Keep Wildlife Wild
- 7. Share Our Trails, Roads and Natural Resources

Plus, 4 #LNT principles for social media:

- 1. Tag thoughtfully
- 2. Be mindful of what your images portray
- 3. Give back to the places you love
- Encourage and inspire #DoorCountyPledge on social media

Learn more on our website: www.doorcounty.com/pledge



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Headed to Door County to explore the lake, the shoreline, the woods, or the culture? You'll want to review these timeless tenets of good land stewardship and travel etiquette before venturing out. From being mindful of your personal impact on nature spaces to embracing an overall ethos of "leave it better," the Door County Leave No Trace 7 Principles should always be on your mind when you explore the outdoors.

These principles provide an easily understood framework of minimum impact practices for anyone visiting the outdoors:

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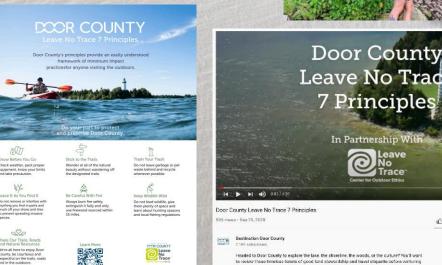
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DOOR COUNTY SCHOOLS

PARKS DEPARTMENTS, FRIENDS GROUPS
 & PARKS COMMITTEES

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NON-PROFIT EDUCATION & OUTREACH





LEAVE NO TRACE CENTER FOR OUTDOOR ETHICS

GREEN DESTINATIONS CERTIFICATION







SUSTAINABLE TOURISM INNOVATION GRANTS

SUSTAINABLE PARTNER PROGRAM

DOOR COUNTY PLEDGE

